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Commissioner for Patents

The Office Action was mailed on June 14, 2004 and the shortened statutory time period to respond is three months or September 14, 2004. The Applicants are filing a one month extension extending the time for responding to October 14, 2004 and, thus, this response is timely. In response to the Office Action mailed June 14, 2004, please consider the following amendment and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 19 of this paper.